ahoulas Times.

Chiken and brother Silvis, ick to Johnny Grooms, de to a your cousin, ness is. ng you takin notes, he ll press it. – Bickess.

al Events.

Fellows gave an oyster ednesday night to the f the lodge and their

ties engaged in the affair, a few weeks ago, become reconciled and in statu quo.

uire a good head of ast and sweet hair, select reparation to accompish Hair Renewer is the best Sciences.

. Near Leo Bell, Tues ember 21, by Rev. F. J dr Napoleon Bonaparte nd Miss May Crouch, of Abraham Crouch, Esq.

Va. Invite, who has been force of men on a job of t on Roaring Creek, in county, has finished all ill do not present and has with towns and men.

idences of a very sad ac ew to be noticed in the e Bridge, last Monday. The remains of a brok d a strong smell of the y" directed that somebody gallon jug slip and, fall- e side rail of the wagon and bursting, let a dozen d the liquor had stained bed till around.

x Bean issued a warrant omplaint of Hugh Sharp rrest of two Dilley boys, William Dilley, for stealing

The boys' side of the ast it is an old and absurd at which was washed down r by the first freshet last which they took off a drift d were using it to cross r. The warrant has not ved.

colored people of this rhood and the Lewis gave tmas tree to their Union School at their church in ush last Friday evening. n four and five dollars were ed in suitable presents for dren in the school. Then- ion, anyone could place a this tree for a friend. Near the colored youths in the were there, all went as mer- dinner bell.

Camden-Lane Company has the timber on a certain land in this county, situ- this Sinks. Under the con- owner of the land is enti- rest and use as much of the ber as he requires. Under- ntract the land owner has en and built miles of rail from cherry timber, the most er timber on the tract. We t that he will find that he from no assort for his own for he would find it hard to by experts in farm fences be- court that cherry is rail tim-

following gentlemen is ref- to the Rev S. C. Morgan, known and much respected church people in Pocahon- ity interest our readers. A ppointment of the Greenbrier resident writes: "On Sunday, th, Rev S. C. Morgan, of the Church, after preaching at ilton Chapel, started for his in Pocahontas County. As ng down Cochran Draft, the home of A. Snodgrass, his e took fright at a flock of part- s, and, backing over a bank, throwing Mr Morgan to the ad, breaking his leg, or rather ting it, in one or more places. ver, where it was discovered calling for help was heard by Snodgrass's family, and, as it time to prepare a conveyance, ver very much chilled and was stunned with an attack of gravel- ia. Dr Ervine was called to the and set the bone, which is doing ed as regard as well as can be ex- ; but his case is considered critical.

ana Stevenson, who lives in 's Hollow, has some very good s dogs and has been very lucky past month or two in taking ad animals. He has on hand thirty-five pelts, mostly of fox- s some and good ones. He had a n unusual adventure the other night. The dogs treed an ani- on the top of some cliffs and ere manoeuvering a while both s and dogs fell over the cliff. ng a rope to descend, myself and ers of the cliff to find that dogs were barking at a hole in rocks. He had put his face to entrance trying to peer into deep gloom of the cave, when ard a scuffle and a fierce growl- and a moment the face from ed, scratched and bleeding. ver, he was very much pleased ing the dogs, for they killed the fox. It was almost twice the size of ordinary fox and was an unusually ge one. He had his face and eyes open. He noticed ground a long time in few days, he was very sick and could keep down anything. After he ng a physician he would be able about the house. The dogs killed

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Lucy Poage was at Marlinton last week shopping and visiting friends.

John Gay, of the Leo Military Academy, is at home for the holidays.

The Morgantown students, Lew Yeager and Jim Smith, did not come home for Christmas.

Charles Williams, of Mill Gap, Virginia, passed Marlinton last week on his way to have some milling done at Mill Point.

Dr C. P. Bryan, once a resident of Hillsboro, and lately of Missouri, has opened an office at Roncerverte for the practice of medicine.

Miss Hattie Patterson entertained a select party of friends at dinner Christmas evening. Those present were Misses Maud and Sallie Yeager and Susie Price, and Messrs John Pullins, S. B. Scott, Jr., Frank Anderson and Norman Price.

The Marlinton Cotillion Club had an exceptionally good time at their last meeting on Monday night in honor of the season. Those present were: Misses Mary McLaughlin, Fannie McLaughlin, Grace Ervine, Maud and Sallie Yeager, Hattie, Edith and Lillian Patterson, Lou and Miss Rayborn, Miss Nellie Anderson, chaperone Mrs J. A. Sharp; Messrs E. H. Smith, Walter Yeager, J. D. Pullins, Frank Anderson, S. B. Scott, Jr., N. C. McNeil, J. H. Patterson, Jr., R. K. Burns, Wm. McLaughlin, James Kirkpatrick, J. A. Sharp.

The Stomach Not a Vital Part.

A number of the beliefs of medical science have been exploded by an operation performed September 6 on Anna Landis, a woman of Zurich, 56 years old, by Dr Carl Schlatter, of the University of Zurich, reported in the Medical Record of December 25. The woman had suffered from stomach trouble since her childhood. On examination it was found that there was a large tumor in the stomach. The operator removed the stomach and joined the œsophagus to the first bend in the intestine. Since the operation the patient has improved greatly in health and gained three pounds in weight.

Man in his primitive state, when he lived on raw meat, nuts, roots, and herbs, needed a stomach; but in these days of cooking, food may be thoroughly digested without a stomach.

E. L. Beard & Co. shipped last week a lot of turkeys of an important breed, raised by Wm. T. C. E. Beard and Mrs Nannie Beard. One of the turkeys weighted twenty-seven pounds without head or feet.

All kinds of hides tanned by me one half for the other, or for half value when tanned. Work guaranteed first-class in every particular. Also, I will buy hides at highest prices. Edgar L. Smith, Mill Point, West Virginia.

Santa Claus got a great many things at my store; why should you not come and select some presents? I have reduced the price on all holiday goods from 25 to 35 per cent., as the time is limited. A trip to my store is better than a trip to Klondike. There is a good deal of uncertainty about gold digging, but every time you save a dime or a dollar it is a sure step towards wealth. Arbuckle Coffee 10½ cents cash. Paul Golden.

A man came to Huntersville last week and said that he was a preacher. He set a date to preach at Huntersville and said that he would go to hold a meeting at Falling Spring. He bought a big bill of goods from S. J. Boggs on credit. After he had left the merchant got suspicious and had a warrent issued for him. He was followed to the Levels, where it was discovered that he had stolen a horse from J. W. Miller and made good his escape. Miller lives two miles below Academy, on the old road. Description of the horse: Dark bay mare, blaze face, left hind foot white. Any information should be addressed, J. W. Miller, Academy, W. Va.

The teasing of wild turkeys seems to be of great interest to sportsmen. A correspondent of the Richmond Dispatch reported the success Miss Pocie Yeager, daughter of P. M. Yeager of Travelers Repose, had in raising half a dozen wild turkeys the past year. She had caught them while on a fishing expedition last spring. A writer on the staff of "Outing," the leading monthly magazine on outdoor sports, noticed the article, and, obtaining photographs and full particulars, has made of it an article for that magazine. The capture of wild turkeys when they are young and raising them to full growth has occupied sportsmen often of late years, but they invariably return to their native woods. The gobbler there remain longer and are more easily retained than the hens. When they leave for the woods it does not disband at once, they are known to associate and hobnob for a time, but they get to be fully established and start in the care of their kind. Sometimes a wild turkey joins a flock of tame ones and in the long range left out of doors they become to a degree

LITTLE LEVELS.

H. W. McNeel has sold his farm to Alex and J. H. McNeel.

Fred Wallace, of Lewisburg, is here for a few days.

Willis Baxter spent a part of the holidays at his old home near Edray.

Miss Rella Clark and William Mann and wife spent several days at Mrs Clarks this week.

Frank R. Hill, who has been at Randolph Macon College, spent Xmas at home.

The Hillsboro Band will give an oyster supper Friday night, and all are looking forward to a great treat.

The Levelton Grange will meet at Academy on Saturday night, January 1, 1898.

E. H. Moore, proprietor of the Commercial House, has secured a position as drummer from Armstrong, Cater & Co., of Baltimore, and will travel this territory.

The entertainment given at the M. E. Church last Sunday evening was a success. It consisted of excellent music and select readings by Misses Mattie Curry, Glenna Hill and Frank Hill, and declamation by Walter Clark.

The prospects are flattering for a good roller mill located at Academy. We would be glad to see all interested push things and build *the mill. Certainly it would be the* best and most practical location in this part of the county, for we have capital, grain and plenty of citizens who are willing to give a *good mill, properly operated, their* patronage. Bumblebee.

The Camden Railroad System.

In our pleasurable excitement *over the arrangements being made* to build a feeder of the Chesapeake and Ohio into our county, we have ceased to sit with our faces turned to the west, hoping that the long-looked for extension of the Camden System would brind us a railroad, but have turned them to the east trying to will the railroad to come from Driscol whether it will or no. But—

"Not from the eastern windows only
When the day dawns comes in the light,
To the east the sun climbs slow low slowly,
But westward look, the land is bright!

It is reported that work will be recommenced on the West Virginia and Pittsburg road next year. An extension of nine miles will be *built from the present terminus to* the mouth of Cherry River. This will pass the mouth of Cranberry. Then it is hoped the road will be built to make an eastern connexion *The only way is up Williams river* from Cowen, crossing over to the waters of the Greenbrier and striking the river at Marlinton. All the freight that would accrue from the country of the Cherry, Cranberry, and Gauley rivers would have an outlet to the east.

In the last few days there have been rumors flying in the air that a large lumber concern with saw-mills and logging outfits, which has been in operation near Piedmont, will have finished up there, and will move to the mouth of Tea Creek on William's River next spring and go to work at once. Also, that this lumbering business belongs to the American Leather Trust, and that they will put up a tannery there at the same time. It is well known that point can furnish more hemlock bark than any section in the county, probably. The report says further that the Camden railroad will be built that far, at least, next season.

The Gauley Company own an immense splash-dam one mile above the mouth of Tea Creek, and which was erected at a cost of several thousand dollars, but which has proved as far of little value to them. Large works below it could make good use of it.

The impression has prevailed that the Camden System was hostile to the Chesapeake and Ohio, on account of the former being so closely allied to the Baltimore and Ohio. Now it is believed that the Baltimore and Ohio will be controlled by a different set of men who are not antagonistic to the Chesapeake and Ohio, and that a connection is likely to be made between the Baltimore and Ohio and the Chesapeake and Ohio by means of the West Virginia and Pittsburg.

Surveys have been made from the waters of Cherry river to Hall's Creek and Spring Creek, but on both routes the chief engineer has reported that the routes are impracticable for railroad building.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund the money if it fails to Cure. 25c.

Notice.

All persons indebted to me by account will please come forward and settle between now and January 1, 1898, as I must have money to meet my obligations. Come and settle, as it saves trouble and costs. Yours truly,

S. L. Moorehead.

Dunmore, W. Va., Nov. 30, 1897.

BUCKEYE.

Jasper Auldridge has gone to Peter's camp where he will cook.

Otis Morrison is at home from camp.

George Hefner got thrown from a colt of H. McClintic's the other day.

Mrs Nancy McNeill is suffering from a sore hand, caused by running a nail into it.

Miss Eith Beverage spent Christmas with her *aunt, Mrs Hannah* McNeill.

Miss Neva McNeill has returned from Alderson where she has been attending school.

Mrs Lottie Pennell has been confined to her bed for several days.

Xmas has come and gone; every thing having passed off quietly. Very cold and snowey at present.

A few of our young people attended the grand party on *Stamping* Creek, Friday night.

Winters McNeil has been confined to his room for several days with a carbuncle.

Opel Armstrong is quite sick with scarlet fever. The rest of the *family* have had it, but are better at this writing.

Jim Sheets and Mot Wallace were in the town of Buckeye, last Thursday. Sinda Sue.

Measure for Measure.

This is a true story of an occurrence in Nicholas county which is told with great relish by one of *our Pocahontas* merchants. It happened a number of years ago. A very respectable old lady of that county passed by a store one day and left a lot of butter in rolls, telling the merchant to put up the worth of it in coffee. As he was weighing it he attempted to lift one of the rolls with his *knife. It* would not penetrate the roll, and a closer investigation revealed the fact that there was a large rock in the center of the roll. He care*fully removed it and placed it in* the coffee which he put up for the old lady. The customer did not discover it until she got home. Next day she came back highly *indignant.*

"You sold me a rock!" said she.

"I bought it of you," replied the merchant.

"But you only paid me twelve *and a half cents a pound for my* butter, and when you weighed the rock to me I had to pay you sixteen and two-thirds cents, the cost of the coffee," argued the old lady.

"I never buy anything, madam, that I do not try to make a profit on," retorted the merchant; and there the *matter rests until this* day.

"My, that made me jump!"

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Fiduciary Notice.

All persons interested take notice that the accounts of the following personal representatives of the below named decedents are before *me for settlement:*

J. S. Moore, Exor of Wm E Moore, dec'd.

A. N. Barlow, Exor. of James Sharp, dec'd.

J. D. Moore admr. of Nowa Moore dec'd.

Susan McClaughlin guardian of Allie McClaughlin.

John A. Moore, Admr. of S. F. Moore, dec'd.

Georgia F. Dever, Admrx of Francis Dever dec'd.

J. C. Arbogast, Admr of Peter Beverage dec'd.

L. M. McCLINTIC,
Commissioner of Accounts.

Please Take Notice.

All persons knowing themselves to be indebted to the old firm of Moore & Sharp, Edray, W. Va., will please settle their notes and accounts by January 1, 1898. All notes and accounts not paid by the above date will be placed in the hands of an officer for collection.

Moore & Hannah.

Post S. B. Moore.

Also all persons indebted to me will please pay up between this time and January 1, 1898. Respectfully, S. B. Moore.

December 8, 1897.

TOP OF ALLEGHANY.

Wm. Freeman started for East Virginia with another lot of 'horse *powers' on Tuesday.*

Mr and Mrs Isreal Hoover, of Sugar Grove, W. Va., have been visiting relatives at this place during the past week.

James Phillips, of Buffalo Mountain, recently moved to his hand*some new residence, near the old* homestead.

Martin Colaw has broken the record of catching coons, in this section. His total catch is twenty*four coons.*

J. R. Lumsford, who has been working at the Horton lumber camps for several months, returned home Friday to take in the holidays.

There has been quite a change *in the atmosphere for the last few* days. Friday morning, the coldest of the season, the mercury registered 4 degrees below zero.

Rev C. C. Arbogast preached at Top Alleghany Church on Sunday December 26. Peter Pad.

OBITUARY.

Mrs Sarah Ann Rider.

Died.—Near Mt. Vernon, on Tues*day*, the 7th day of December, 1897, Mrs Sarah Ann Rider, aged about 84 years.

She was the wife of Henry Rider, and the foster-mother of Wilson Rider and his two sisters, one of whom was the wife of Rev Adam Given, of Illinois. Mrs Rider was greatly esteemed and acted well and faithfully her part in the va*rious relations of life. For more* than sixty years she was a fervent and devoted member of the Methodist church. The writer has numbered her among his special 'chris*tian friends for thirty years.*

"Favor is deceitful and beauty is vain; but a woman that feareth the Lord she shall be praised. Give her the fruit of her hands, *and let her own work praise her in* the gates.—Proverbs xxxi. 30, 31.

W. T. P.

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is *the only positive cure known to the* medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting direct*ly upon the blood and mucous surfaces* of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address,

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25 Second " " " $50 Piece Sports Stylus.
40 Third " " " $ 25 Set Rubbers.
" " " Pair

Sunlight SOAP

WRAPPERS

The Pocahontas Times.

THE COURTS.

CIRCUIT COURT convenes on the first Tuesday in April, third Tuesday in June, and first Tuesday in October.

COUNTY COURT convenes on the first Tuesday in January, March, and the fourth Tuesday of June and September—June is levy.

County Directory

Judge ..... J. M. McWhorter
Pros. Attorney .. L. M. McClintic
Sheriff ..... R. W. Hill
Clerk County Court .. S. L. Brown
Clerk Circuit Court, J. H. Patterson
Assessor ..... H. Buzzard
Com'rs. Co. Ct. } Amos Barlow, C. K. Beard, J H Warwick
Surveyor ..... George Baxter
Coroner ..... George P. Arbogast

BOARD OF HEALTH—Dr J. W. Price, L. M. McClintic, M. J. McNeel, R. W. Hill.

JUSTICES—Uriah Bird, Marlinton; A. C. L. Gatewood, Linwood; P. D. Arbogast, Green Bank; W. H. Grose, Huntersville; O. R. Curry, Academy; T. A. Bruffey, Lobelia.

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SALE OF REAL ESTATE FOR TAXES.

Notice is hereby given that the following described tracts or lots of land in the County of Pocahontas, which are delinquent for the non-payment of taxes for the years 1895 and 1896, will be offered for sale by the undersigned Sheriff, at public auction, at the front door of the Court-house of said county, between the hours of ten in the morning and four in the afternoon, on Tuesday, the 4th day of January, 1898. Each tract or lot, or so much thereof as may be necessary, will be sold for so much cash as is sufficient to satisfy the amount due thereon, as set forth in the following table:

NAMES OF PERSONS CHARGED WITH TAXES.	QUANTITY OF LAND.	LOCAL DESCRIPTION.	Total amount of taxes, interest, costs of publication, and commission being amount necessary to redeem before sale.	Total amount of taxes, interest, costs and fee for receipt.
Green Bank District	Acres.			
Arbogast Sol Est.	10	Alleghany mt	47	72
" W F Est	60	" "	2 34	2 69
" Adams Est	55 80	ad A M V Arbogast	9 62	9 87
Same	58 120	ad B M Yeager	12 10	12 35
Same	50	" "	1 99	2 24
" Jacob H	10	Home place	50	75
" Maggie E	81	waters Deer creek	4 38	4 63
" Adam C	35	Spillman place	3 25	3 50
Same	5	waters G. River	40	65
" J. R. & L S Tusk	1600	" "	13 14	13 39
Barner Virginia	131	Big mtn	2 51	2 76
Bradshaw J B	1	Coopers Barn	1 58	1 83
Beverage Jno H	83	waters Deer creek	1 75	2 00
Same	22	E G R	71	96
Carpenter Chas	264	Thomas Creek	2 58	2 83
Campell J B Hrs	60	wts Gr. r	3 37	3 62
Carpenter Margaret C	46	Thomas creek	2 27	2 52
Cunningham Luhana	129 40	Little river	6 82	7 07
Carpenter Jno Sr est	143 80	Thomas creek	6 31	6 56
Collins W H	100	W G R	1 57	1 82
Darnell W S	225	near Trav Repose	5 01	5 26
Davis Jno W est	15	Buffalo mt	60	85
Dever Jno's est	248	Alleghany mt	3 44	3 69
Darnell Henderson	100	near Trav Repose	7 02	7 27
Darsh E H, Kritter } a M J Clark }	240	hd wts Gr river	6 35	6 60
Driscol Jno a J M } a P Kinsporta }	1839	" " "	46 51	46 76
Driscol Jno	200	E N Moore tract	3 69	3 94
" " a P Kinsporta	1600	hdwts Gr river	53 90	54 15
Same	800	" "	28 12	28 37
Same	1081	" "	13 20	13 45
Same	1641	" "	55 07	55 32
Same	60	" "	2 36	2 61
Same	410	East "	14 09	14 34
Same	420	" "	14 39	14 64
Same	637	" "	21 67	21 92
Same	597	" "	20 33	20 58
Ervine Ed's est	50	Alighy mts	2 04	2 29
Gregg Geo A	10	" "	99	1 24
Galford Thos Hrs	138	Boreman's run	11 87	12 12
Gragg Barbara M	116	Btueh run	4 20	4 45
Gum Polly S	70	wts Deer creek	3 25	3 50
Grogg Jno W	100	Buffalo run	6 16	6 41
Same	9	" "	87	1 12
Same	245	" mt	4 44	4 69
Same	120	J H A Land	2 37	2 62
Gilmore Alex	120	Alligy mt	1 83	2 08
Hutton Alf	298	½ of 595a tract	5 43	5 68
Hevenerr J est	20	hd N Fork	1 02	1 27
Hamilton Wm hrs	132	near forks Gr river	3 43	3 68
Same	30	Back Alleghany	76	1 01
Hutton N B	298	McNeill land	5 35	5 60
Houchin Ellis est	100	wts Gr river	7 01	7 26
Same	130	adj Arbogast	7 96	8 21
Lantz Annie E	100	Salisbury run	1 58	1 83
McLaughlin Jas L	7	Back All'ygy mt	93	1 18
Same	16 80	" "	2 81	3 06
Same	12	Deer creek	50	75
" Dan Est	45	" "	1 08	1 33
McCutcheon Jno B	2800	Thomas creek	47 17	47 42
Same	77	wts Gr River	1 37	1 62
Same	80	Elk Lick run	11 20	11 45
Pullin Leise C	84	All'y mt	3 19	3 44
Pugh Mariette R	29 20	Deer creek	2 56	2 81
Rheinstrom Alf	125	Greenbrier	4 59	4 84
Rader W F & P B	120	Buffalo mt	3 20	3 45
Slaton Bethel G	107	" "	3 92	3 17
" W J	20		1 53	1 78
Same	40	Leather Ridge	99	1 24
Sheets Jacob a est	135	Back Alleghany	9 31	9 56
Sutton Wilson R.	81	adj A Nottingham	11 10	11 35
Same	18	" "	1 27	1 52
Simmons Sallie & } E E Batchelors hrs }	887	Forks Gr river	22 58	22 83
Sutton Geo M	53	Greenbrier	7 84	8 09
Same	59	W wts Deer creek	4 52	4 77
Same	50	Little mtn	95	1 20
Scott Frk B	100	hdwts Gr River	2 75	3 00
Tark R S & J L Arbogast	1600	wts Gr River	27 63	27 88
Whitescarver J M	100	hd "	2 76	3 01
Wade Chas	507	Alleghany	13 19	13 44
Edray District				
Armstrong B F	51	Swago	3 59	2 84
Barnes M L	30	R L Run	1 04	1 29
Brown H (ind)	70	"	1 97	2 22
Burgess Paul D	18 10	Swago creek	1 20	1 45
" B M	150	" "	2 70	2 95
Ervine Wm D	100	Old Field Fk Elk	7 05	7 30
Fried A A	140	Gr River	2 08	2 33
" Jno est	30	W Gr River	1 25	1 50
Same	167	" "	2 93	3 18
Same	305	W Thorny creek	3 92	4 17
Gay M J	11	Sulpher Spring	4 52	4 77
Gibson M E F & M } C Hannah }	444	Big Spring	14 39	14 64
Gatewood Warwick est	700	East Chest mt	16 80	17 05
Same	20 40	Big Spring of Elk	5 30	5 55
Same	215 80	" "	12 68	12 93
Hogsett Sam Est	200	Old Field Road	28 33	28 58
Same	138	" "	13 14	13 39
" J T	50	" "	4 98	5 23
Hannah W R E & C	142	Greenbrier river	2 55	2 80
" David's est	200	W side Gauley mt	7 16	7 41
" W E	85	Adj Beverage & Co	2 95	3 20
Jackson James (col)	100	Brush Run	3 50	3 75
Johnson J E	100	W Greenbrier	5 08	5 33
Same	100	" "	3 83	4 08
Kellison Jno J & S J	111	Buckley mt	4 81	5 06
Lenderwith, S J	98	Shavey creek	3 99	4 24
same	195	swago	5 09	5 34
Lyle Samuel W	150	wts Elk river	17 91	18 16
McIntosh George T	50	Greenbrier river	1 87	2 11
Simmons J E	50	Leather creek	1 87	2 11
Thomas Jno L	1 50	Big Spring	6 27	6 52
Thomas Jno L	100	Dry Branch	2 87	3 12
Wood, Walter	2000	Elk river	15 37	15 62
same	3440	" "	137 13	137 38
White, George	1472	Leased stock	60 07	60 32
Lindsey	254	"	9 64	9 89
Wm White estate	50	"	1 87	2 11
Yeager B M	60	wts Elk	2 34	2 59
Same	200	Watauga river	9 26	9 51
Huntersville District	Acres.			
Alderman's heirs	183½	Douthards creek	3 20	3 45
same	820	" "	5 64	5 89
Buzzard, M A & G A	142	Little Back Creek	5 27	5 52
Barnett, Sabina M	310	Greenbrier River	5 69	5 94
" John M	1	Knapps creek	81	86
Bowers, John E	37	waters Knapps crk	1 31	1 56
Blyholder, J B	1600	Alleghany mountain	69 70	69 95
Bradshaw, Wm's h'rs	100 40	Marlin's mountain	1 61	1 86
Beard, M W	50	Beaver creek	2 06	2 31
same	415	" "	18 32	18 57
Bird, George H	120	Alleghany mt	1 88	2 13
Barrett, O & J D Price	360	from J P McComb	12 96	13 21
" " Jr	230	from J D Price	8 19	8 44
Cobb, A	100	Buckley mt	3 79	4 04
Chapman, F	200	Beaver creek	15 86	16 11
same	10	" "	52	77
Clark, A A, Maggie, & E H Darrah	70	Knapps Creek	2 79	3 04
Campbell, D H	180	Alleghany mt	2 59	2 84
same	30	" "	70	95
same	30	" "	70	95
same	30	" "	70	95
same	30	" "	70	95
Campbell, William	90	" "	1 48	1 73
Coulter, Mary A	130	Beaver creek	2 72	2 97
Courtney, Geo Ws est	111	Brushy mountain	2 26	2 51
Daugherty, Taylor	22 80	Knapps creek	2 85	3 10
Driscol, John	305		21 44	21 69
Same & P Kinsport			22 20	22 45
same			7 27	7 52
same			52 40	52 65
same			19 42	19 67
Gammon, James est		Ball Alley Lot	78	1 03
Harris, R heirs	4	Knapps creek	48	73
Hogsett, J T	256 90 P	" "	18 14	18 39
same	4 80-160	Punk Hill	3 15	3 40
same	29	" "	1 62	1 87
same		Lot 25 Huntersville	1 36	1 61
same		Lot 24 Huntersville	1 22	1 47
same		" 24 and 25 "	2 48	2 73
Holcomb, James	48	E Cochran's creek	1 95	2 20
Hamilton, Garvin	30	Alleghany mountain	80	1 05
Herold, Horace T	1 28	near Frost	9 17	9 42
Handy, Sbell & Susan	1	" "	1 19	1 44
Harper, Samuel	200	Alleghany mountain	2 94	3 19
same	5	Knapps creek	40	65
same	94 40	" "	40 17	40 42
same	542 80	" "	9 79	10 04
same	25	" "	65	90
same	28	Brown mountain	70	95
same	165	Knapps creek	29 46	29 71
Lowe, J B	165	Price land	18 20	18 45
same	450	Buzzard land	31 54	31 79
Larty, S & Baumg'dner	767	Marlins mt	13 49	13 74
Matheny, Daniel's est	25	Alleghany mt	97	1 22
McComb, A B	10	Marlins mt	46	71
Moore, Zone, W and H F Herold	10 44	Frost	9 18	9 43
Oramel, B & J D Price	360	from McComb	12 94	13 19
" Barrett	230	from Price	8 16	8 41
Roller, J E	137	" "	9 87	10 12
same	785	Beaver Creek	27 52	27 77
Ray, George S	200	Greenbrier river	5 92	6 17
Snedegar, J C	150	Cave run	10 73	10 98
Seebert, J W & H'rld	1040	wts Douthard creek	21 15	21 40
Shafer, R P G	15	Buckley mt	87	1 12
Slanker, D W C		part lot no 6	97	1 22
Seebert, Jacob's heirs	41	Douthard's creek	6 92	7 17
same	200	" "	2 93	3 18
same	7	" "	93	1 18
Skeen, Wm	44	adj Charls Gum	1 49	1 74
Sharp, Andrew	5	Brown creek	1 03	1 28
Simms, B W	160	Pike mt	3 09	3 34
Town-send, W T	100	E Greenbrier river	3 91	4 16
White, Henry and J Seibert's heirs	1200	Middle mt	15 91	16 16
Wallace, Isabella	350	E Greenbrier river	4 86	5 11
Webb, Amanda	145	Buckley mt	2 69	3 94
Young, Charles E	189	Marlins mt	2 78	3 03
Little Levels District				
Hogsett, Martha J	50	Near Mill Point	17 38	17 63
Hogsett, J T	107	" "	51 18	51 43
same	75-160	" "	57	82
Kinsaid, Sarah H	20-160	Rush Run	41	66
Lewis Christ opher	875	Mill Run	13 43	13 68
same	870	" "	13 37	13 62
same	100	" "	1 82	2 07
Overholt, W H	300	Cherry & Spr creek	7 10	7 35
same		120 poles, Hillsboro	2 23	2 48
same	25	Locust creek	8 18	8 44
same	20	Cherry Glade	68	93
same	243	Mill Run	4 97	5 22
same	243	" "	3 97	4 22
Prior, Charles	10	adj Isaac McNeel	1 82	2 17
Roller, J E	259	Poplar Flats	15 88	16 13
same	500	Burr Land	31 42	31 67
Rider, A T J & L J	138	Poplar Flats	4 79	5 04
Smith, David (col)	536	Greenbrier river	4 64	4 89
Skeen, William	184 80	Droop mt	3 77	4 02
Smith, Erie E	138	Poplar Flats	2 93	3 18
Waugh, B R est	243	Mill Run	3 97	4 22

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Biographic Notes.

Among the persons who have been identified with our county history, the Cochran relationship claim recognition. For more than a hundred years the name has been a familiar one. The Pocahontas Cochrans are the descendants of Thomas Cochran, senior, a native of Ireland, one of three brothers who came over together. One of these brothers settled in Augusta and his descendents are highly respected in that county. Another of these Cochrans went to Kentucky, it is believed.

Thomas Cochran, the subject of this memoir, married a Miss MacKemie, near Parnassus in Augusta county, and settled first at the Rankin place, on the Greenbrier, near the mouth of Locust Creek. Thence he moved to the place now held by Colonel J. W. Ruckman and son Mathews. The relationship is so widely extended that it is only possible to trace his descendants to a degree where the present generation can take up the line and complete it.

By the first marriage there were three daughters and two sons.

One daughter, name not known, became Mrs William Carraway, and lived on Muddy Creek, Greenbrier county.

Nancy, a daughter of the pioneer, became Mrs Masters, and went to Ohio.

Mary, the third daughter, was married to William Auldridge, Sr., whose memoirs have been published in The Times.

John Cochran married Elizabeth (Betsy) James, daughter of David James, senior, at end of Droop Mountain, and settled near Marvin on property recently occupied by Michael Scales. There were four sons and four daughters.

David James Cochran married a Miss Corby, in Augusta county, and went to Clay county, W. Va. *His son, William Cochran, represented* that county in the legislature a few years since.

Thomas Cochran, son of John Cochran, married Miss Skeene, and lived near Marvin. Their children were Franklin, America, Eliza, and Harriet, now Mrs T. C. Wooddell.

There were two other sons, William and John, about whom we have no information.

As to the daughters, Margaret (Peggy) became Mrs Jacob Shue; *Sally became Mrs James Waugh*, late of Verdant Valley; Fannie became Mrs John Smith, on Stony Creek; and Elizabeth.

Thomas Cochran, junior, son of the pioneer, married Mary Salisbury, settled on the side of Droop Mountain near Locust, and finally went west. Their children were Gordon, Robert, William, Richard, Dennis, and Sabre,—two daughters and four sons.

Thomas Cochran, the pioneer's second marriage was with Nellie James, daughter of David James, senior, already mentioned. The fruit of this marriage seven sons and three daughters, viz: William, Samuel, Isaac, David, Solomon, James, Jesse, Rebecca, Mary, and Nellie.

Rebecca's first marriage was with William Salisbury, on Droop Mt. By her second marriage she became Mrs John Burner, and lived in Ohio.

Mary was married to William Cochran.

Nellie was married to John Jones, and went to Ohio. Her children were Jane, Eliza, Katie, David, William, and John Jones.

Samuel Cochran went to Ohio.

Isaac Cochran married Jessie Salisbury, daughter of William Salisbury, who lived near where Richard Collison now lives. His children were Elisha, Solomon, Salisbury, Lewis Frost, Jackson, Rowley, Margaret, and Sarah. Two of these sons, Elisha and Solomon, are mentioned in the memoirs of Thomas McNeil, of Swago.

David Cochran, son of Thomas senior, married Sarah Salisbury and lived near Droop Mountain. His children were John, William, Andrew, Biddie, Susan, and Mary. Biddie became Mrs Gabriel Underwood; Susan Mrs Joseph Rodgers, late of Swago; and Nellie was the first wife of the late Anthony Lightner, on Swago.

John Cochran first married Miss Hanna, of Greenbrier; second marriage with *Sally Smith*.

Andrew Cochran married Miss Rachel Lewis, and lived on Sinking Creek.

Solomon Cochran, of Thomas the pioneer, married Biddie Salisbury. Their children were Sallie, Rebecca, Porter, William, and George. Sallie died in youth; Rebecca became Mrs Bruffey Cochran; William Cochran married Almira Salisbury, in Braxton county, and went to Illinois; George Cochran married Nancy, daughter of John Cochran, and lives at the end of Droop Mountain.

James Cochran married Nancy Hannah, daughter of Dr David Hannah, on the Greenbrier, and lived at the end of Droop. Their family six daughters and four sons David, William, Joseph, James, Elizabeth, who became Mrs Andrew Mealy; Jennie, Mrs William Clendennin, near Hillsboro, recently deceased; Nellie, Mrs Asher Hogsett; Eveline, Mrs Isaac Bull; Mary and Rachel.

Jesse Cochran married Jane James, and settled at the end of Droop on property owned by his son, David J. Cochran. Their children were David James, Thomas, Samuel, Clark, and George Brown.

David married Hannah Duffield, and lives on the homestead.

Thomas settled on the homestead upon his marriage with Nancy Stearns

Clark married Sally Underwood, daughter of Gabriel Underwood, and lives on the James homestead.

George B. married Martha E. Hollingsworth, of Boston, and lives on a section of the homestead.

William Cochran, of Thomas the progenitor, first married Jane Young, near Swago. Her children were Washington and Elizabeth.

Washington Cochran married Phebe Mace, of Mingo, and settled on Stony Creek. Himself, wife, and son John, aged 7, all died during the war.

Elizabeth Cochran became Mrs George Young. Mr Young died in Richmond during the war. His sons William and Washinton live in Iowa. Mrs Young became Mrs Bruffey Cochran, went to Iowa, where she recently died.

Captain William Cochran's second marriage was with Melinda Moore, daughter of the late Aaron Moore, on the Greenbrier. Her children William Cochran, junior, and Catherine, now Mrs Giles Sharp.

Captain Cochran was a busy man of affairs, noted as a skillful blacksmith, and built the first tilt-hammer on Swago. He was Captain of the Stony Creek militia, superintended the construction of the Warm Springs and Huntersville turnpike, and was superintendent of the Lewisburg and Marlin's Bottom road. The Captain also took much interest in church affairs as a prominent layman of the M. P. church.

David James, senior, so frequently mentioned in this paper, was an early settler at the end of Droop, and came from Norfolk, Virginia. He first settled near where Richard Collison lives, moved thence to the Rex Irvine place where he built a mill, one of the stones yet to be seen near the roadside at the "Rocky Turn." He then moved to the place now occupied by George Cochran. The house is yet standing where he died at the age of one hundred and four years.

William Salisbury, a native of England, settled at the Salisbury place, near Locust. The building he erected still remains in a good state of preservation. It was designed for a fort, but was never used as such.

The James and Salisbury families have been virtually absorbed by the Cochrans. The James boys went to Ohio, and the Salisbury men settled in Braxton and other places in West Virginia, and some went finally to Ohio.

The writer in closing this paper would gratefully recognize the assistance of David J. Cochran, Esq, that was so helpful in collecting the particulars, and so cheerfully given by him, altho suffering at the time so severely from rheumatic and other troubles, that seemed to be wearing his useful life away.

W. T. P.

"CROWING HENS."

To the Editor of The Times:—Will you please state through the columns of your paper where in the Bible the term "crowing hen" is found, in case it is in the Bible, and thus settle a dispute. J. D. R.

MARLINTON, W. VA.

The word hen occurs but twice in the Bible, strange to say, as the bird was common in Palestine. Once in Mathew xxiii. 37, where the beautiful passage occurs: "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathers her chickens under her wings, and ye would not"; and in Luke xii. 34, the same language is used, with the word "brood" instead of "chickens."

The name Hen occurs once in the Bible. In Zechariah vi. 14 we read of "Hen, the son of Zephaniah," but the record does not show *whether he was disposed to crow* or not.

Upon good authority we say say that the term "crowing hens" does not occur in the Bible, and it is from a proverb in daily use, like "you may take an ox to water but you cannot make him drink," which some people say is in the Bible. The expression 'hen's teeth' has been attributed to the Bible, but it is not found therein.

Along this same line of mistakes as to what the bible contains is the *well known account of an old dar*key who preached from Psalm xvi v. 33: "He maketh my feet like hinds' feet, and setteth me upon my high places." The darkey went by the the sound and delivered a sermon on the text transposed: "He maketh my feet like hen's feet," etc. "Yes, my bredderun, observe de hen when she roos' on de high place how she clamp de pole wif her feet, an de sounder she sleep de tighter she hol' on to de high place," and preached a very edifying sermon which was highly appreciated by his congregation most of whom knew something about the roosting of chickens.

The Richmond Dispatch prints a letter urging the Virginia legislature to pass a law protecting muskrats. The correspondent says that the muskrat is the greatest table delicacy known to the people of the Eastern Shore. An example of a victim to the habit of eating muskrats was cited to show what a hold *this acquired taste has upon a* man. "The late Samuel C. Taylor, famed for his good living, for many years was a pillar of the old Messenger Hardshell Baptist church in the northern part of Accomac. So strong was his liking for muskrat that when he was 83 years old that he spent an entire Sunday in digging the wily little animals out of their holes on the banks Messongo Creek, for which he was summarily turned out of the church."

It looks very much as if the Americans counted too much on the assistance of England and possibly America, and provoked the Mexicans to deeds of retaliation, hoping that foreign intervention would come to their rescue. Sometimes it is better for people to bear the ills they have, stay in the frying pan and not jump into the fire so quickly.

The Virginia foot-ball players explain that they did not intend to kill that Georgia man in the game. It was a mistake.—Baltimore Chronicle Telegraph.

Notions.

The year 1898 may be regarded as the centennial of the Democratic party. When the colonies were struggling for their independence, and trying to make the Fourth of July a fixture and an annual event, the common cause kept them contented, and uniform party proceedure and opposition were unknown.

As the reader knows, George Washington had distinguished himself as an annihilator of British armies, and he was elected President, in 1789, receiving every vote cast. This was the case when he came to be re-elected. But the fashion of electing presidents unanimously ceased with the second election of Washington, never to be resumed. The vote is terribly divided these days, and either the plutocrats elect a president, or the farmers, socialists, anarchists, and ignorami. John Adams was elected president in 1797. Since the country had fallen into habits of peace, of course parties sprang up. Washington was a federalist, and very nearly all the rest of the plutocrats of that day. They were in power, and as long as Washington was in power he made them behave so well that they kept their majorities in both houses of Congress. They ran a good deal to style, and generally took after their British cousins across the water. They had a deep and abiding dis trust for country people, and being composed of the wealthier classes, *they were very much afraid of be*ing depreciated by revolutions. They were inclined to take the liberty of abridging the liberty of the people, and to the minds of a great many common people they were drifting back to monarchy, and the remembrance of that state of affairs was so recent that little wonder an opposition party started up, with Thomas Jefferson as "expounder." It was known as the republican party, or democratic party. The terms were synonymous.

When the electoral vote was opened, in 1797, John Adams was elected by the federalists, and Jefferson had worked the wires so well that he slipped in ahead of Pinckney by securing a few federalist votes. Thus in 1797, by a fluke, Jefferson got himself elected vice-president by a gang of federalists who already hated him like poison.

One hundred years ago the United States were governed by federalists in power in every department, with the "expounder of democratic principles" as president of the Senate. In 1798, too, Andrew Jackson, another great Democrat, took his seat as Senator from Tennessee. It is our purpose, then, to briefly review the events of 1798, in this the hundredth year thereafter; and we believe it to be appropriate as the Jeffersonian party is struggling to right itself before the people and become again the dominant party, even tho it has the comparative unwieldiness of a party composed of the common people, who fear a party which has members who have the power and who make a business of legislating to some extent for number one.

The year of 1798 was a very significant one for the American republic. The federalists represented people who set a great deal of store by the Old World, and were inclined to use their power to restrain those who attacked their deeds or policy. They objected to the press criticising their actions. The Congress wished to increase the extent of its jurisdiction over crimes, which the States had reserved almost entirely to themselves in the constitution.

There were two hundred news papers in the United States in 1798, and 180 of these supported the federalists. Twenty were democratic-republican papers, and they did not hesitate to pour hot shot into pretensions, who had their own opinions as to their power and dignity and who had brought themselves to believe that they were necessarily factors in governmental affairs as the peers of England. In the first Congress in 1798 they enacted a few laws by which they proposed to assert their power. The most obnoxious of these measures were those now generally termed the "alien and sedition laws."

We were in trouble with France at this time, and France had kicked our ambassadors out of doors and war was expected. The democratic-republican party had been blamed for the rupture with France, and some of its members of Congress did not attend the sittings of that body. Jefferson predicted that the federalists would now show the cloven hoof.

The passing of the 'alien and sedition' laws fulfilled Jefferson's predictions to the letter, and because of the encronachment upon the liberties of the people the federalists saw the sun sink on their long and triumphant reign, and the consequence was that after the next election the American citizen Thomas Jefferson rode unattended through the streets of Washington and hitched his horse to palings in front of the capitol, in studied simplicity. This is a most significant incident of history, and which becomes the founder and 'expounder' of a party which is destined to perpetuate the highest example of a republican form of government, by modestly remembering that the people are the people. But we have traveled too fast.

The law passed in 1798, which was the first nail driven in their political coffin by the federalists, was requiring a residence of fourteen years on the part of an emigrant before he could become a citizen. This was not bidding very high for the people the country needed to form the nation the United States was to become. The law respecting aliens made all such residing in the United States to be enrolled, to report periodically to *certain officers, and to be exiled* from the country at the pleasure of the president. This was a most kingly power. Should the alien refuse to go when the president told him, he would be guilty of a felony. It is well enough to note that in the two years of this law's existence it was not enforced in a single instance. There has been but one parallel of this act of congress, and that was the Lodge Force Bill of a few years since. The opposition to the "alien" law called it a British measure, which still continues as a word of reproach, directed at the Republican party now, strange to say. Great Britain is one of the finest governments the world ever saw. But what we mean by a "British measure" is one not suited to the temper of the people, which would deprive any law of its wholesomeness.

The "sedition law" belongs to the class of morals which the Democratic party denounces to-day as "government by injunction." In the sedition law the congress sought to help the States out with their jurisdiction over criminals. It declared against unlawful combinations against the laws of the United States. The latter part of the sedition law "muzzled the press." It made it a crime to publish libels against the President or Congress, rebuking the execution of laws and bringing them into contempt, and was punishable by a fine of not more than $5,000, and imprisonment of not more than two years. This law was enforced in some instances, and the party that passed it went into forced retirement at the next election. John Adams was hardly treated with common politeness the last few months of his tenure in office, and he left Washington in worse form even than Grover Cleveland.

Thus the Democrtic party went into power because their opponents were hostile to the tenents of a people who were determined, against all precedent, to rule themselves. And we who are proud of the record of the Democratic party claim that it is the factor which has preserved the republic unto this day. That we are in harmony with Democratic principles, and that today, as in 1798, when the leaders were not in sympathy with the people but were doing all they could to defeat the ends for which the common people had successfully fought the Revolutionary war, we believe that "democracy is the hope of the nation."

Hear, then, the principles of democracy of which we boast. They are a hundred years old, but apply now as then:

Equal and exact justice to all men, of whatever state or persuasion, religious or political.

Peace, commerce, and honest friendship with all nations, entangling alliances with none.

The support of the state governments in all their rights, as the most competent administration for *our domestic concerns, and the sure*st bulwark against anti-republican tendencies.

The preservation of the general government in its whole constitutional vigor, as the sheet-anchor of our peace at home, and safety abroad.

A jealous care of the right of election by the people, a mild and safe corrective of abuses which are lopped by the sword of revolution where peaceful remedies are unprovided.

Absolute acquiescence in the decisions of the majority, the vital principle of republics, from which there is no appeal but to force, the vital principle and immediate parent of despotism.

A well disciplined militia, our best reliance in peace, and for the first movements of war, till regulars may relieve them.

The supremacy of civil over the military authority.

Economy in the public expense that labor may be lightly burdened.

The honest payment of our debts and sacred preservation of the public faith.

Encouragement of agriculture, and of commerce as its handmaid.

The diffusion of information, and the arraignment of all abuses at the bar of public reason.

Freedom of religion.

Freedom of the press.

Freedom of person, under the protection of the habeas corpus.

Trial by juries impartially selected.

In conclusion, we wish to mention that Jefferson "set the first example of a president removing men from office because their political opinions differed from his own." It over the Democratic party places a man in the chair we have no doubt he will follow Jefferson in this matter, instead of Cleveland. Why should the subordinates endure in office for a longer term than the head of all the departments?

"I have used Ayer's Cherry Pectoral in my family for twenty years, and recommend it to others for coughs and colds, and whooping cough. Have never known a single case of whooping cough that it failed to relieve and cure, when a

Scoff and Cough.

The man who scoffs at friendly advice to "take something for that cough," will keep on coughing, until he changes his mind or changes his earthly residence. Singular, isn't it, how many stubborn people persist in gambling, with health as the stake, when they might be effectually cured of cough, cold, or lung trouble, by a few doses of

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral.

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The Pocahontas Times.

ANDREW PRICE, EDITOR

Marlinton, Friday, Jan. 7 1898

Entered at the post-office at Marlinton, W. Va., as second class matter.

THAT we will shortly know that heathenish breath
Is not the sweetest gift God gives His friend,
And that sometimes this sable pall of death
Conceals the fairest boon his love can send.
But not to-day. Then be content and hear
God's plans, like lilies, pure and white, unfold;
We must not tear the veil a mystery wears
Too soon apart;
Time will reveal the ashy waste of gold,
And if, through patient toil, we reach the land
Where tired feet, with sandals loosed, may rest,
When we shall clearly know and understand,
I think that we will say "God knew the best."

THE Washington Post says that a Virginia negro choked himself to death on his Christmas dinner of possum and sweet potatoes. It was a happy death.

WM. H. SAWYERS, editor of the Hinton Independent-Herald, is forever calling us the "Sermonette Editor." We take this opportunity of telling him that our highest ambition is to be able to see "sermons in stones and books in running brooks." While for him the best that he will ever be able to do will be "to see sermons in books and stones in running brooks."

THE law of the redemption of land sold for taxes is very similar to that set forth in the book of Leviticus. "If thy brother grow poor and sell some of his possessions * * * * a dwelling house in a walled city, he shall have the right of redemption for a whole year after it has been sold; for a year he shall retain the right of redemption. And if it be not redeemed within the space of a year, the house that is in the walled city shall be assured in perpetuity to him who bought it, to him and his descendants."

THERE are numerous applicants for the office of the Clerk of the Supreme Court, made vacant by the death of the late O. S. Long. The office pays from $2,000 to $3,000 per year, and addition the clerk has the privilege of printing reports which are otherwise ordered. [illegible] the attorney [illegible] Bowden, has been [illegible] for the place, and of all who have been named in connection [illegible] know of none who would be more suitable. The election is made January 11, the first business of the session.

THE courtesy of the Democratic Editors of the 8th Senatorial District to each other surpasses understanding. We have been urging one another to become the next State Senator. To complete the list the Independent-Herald names the Editor of the Pocahontas Times. It is sometimes that the only editor who does not seem to be afflicted with a superabundant stock of modesty is prevented by law from standing. We have a Senator from this county and as long as he remains in office no editor or citizen of this county is eligible. Sawyers, who is a lawyer and regularly knows the point of the constitutionality of all the laws in the magistrate courts of Summers county, evidently knew this and wished to humbug us by giving us a [illegible]

AS THE year opens up the centre attraction of the civilized world is fixed upon the rapid and bewildering events transpiring in the far east, progressive of very startling events in the destiny of the Chinese empire and Korea. The Chinese, however, seem to be so much disturbed at the prospect of the coming eclipse of the sun, January 22, as the Japanese seem to [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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...Dukes and brother Scots ...ck to "Shady Grove, ...to in a year costs, ...down it. ...ing rare taking notes. ...he is preset A. Brazee.

...Events.

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...Every is in session, ...ve was reelected presi... ...report for the ensuing ...

...ers of the Marlinton ...Service some different ...a matter of interest ...ed by the resignation of ...Bridge.

...hits suffered last Satur... ...bert Sharp and Frank ... killed ten in a short ...e most thickly settled ...Marlinton.

...e of real estate for taxes ...st Tuesday. Of the 220 ...ertised 119 were redeem... ...e owners. Fifty-seven ...to parcels acres and forty... ...t to the State of West ...

...arlinton Epworth League ...ti-annual business meet... ...ted officers as follows: ..., Harvey Maupin; 1st ...ident, Frank Barnes; 2d ...ident, Howard Bird; 3d ...ident, Miss McBee Smith; ..., Norman Price; Treasur... ...Effie Gay.

...er papers in the Green... ...ley appeared as usual dur... ...stmas holidays, as a mat... ...course. In Virginia the ...ham Register was the only ...per between Staunton ...chester that got out an ...st week. Compared with ...titors, the Register has ...strokes of enterprise.

...C. A. Brown, of Front ...a., who is teaching in the ...h-Macon Academy, is de... ...f putting up buildings at ...r and establishing a school ...l receive the right kind of ...from the citizens of this ...The enterprise should be ...p in a public way by the ...of that neighborhood and ...ng held at once to endeav... ...the enterprise assured.

...A. M. Edgar, of Acade... ...suffering from blood poison... ...some time since he lost the ...his arm, and, the trouble ...t worse, by the advice of ...cician he went to the Johns ...s University hospital for ...ment. Word has been receiv... ...that he is in a very precar... ...condition, and that his arm ...ve to be amputated.

...ypes of kind words and a ...in money from Jake Mc... ...n, Brimfield, Indiana, is an ...t getting up buildings at ...This is where all his Pocahontas ...s merry Christmas, a happ... ...w Year, and a new railroad. ...very much of the opinion ...e people in his State are en... ...prosperity with banks from ...Nevada, and some cattle sold ...by at 6 cents.

...of the $18 sewing machines ...Wayne Manufacturing Co. ...ed at Grand Saga of ...aper, has arrived at Marlin... ...It is warranted for ten years, ...t finish and general utility is ...assed a high grade machine, ...me competent to judge. We ...this recommendation value ...and we believe that any ...g a sewing machine at a ...rate cost would do well to ...to this company.

...ome the pleasantries of the ...e is what is told of a marriage ...e, which was the minister's ...n performance. He had con... ...a ministerial neighbor, who ...e furnished him a marriage ...ble in manuscript. On the ...it all vanished from his mem... ...and in the emergency he said ...the name of Abraham, Isaac, ...Jacob. I pronounce you hus... ...and wife." The groom in... ...d, "If one can go, that is all I ...to see."

...ny body was getting ice this ...The freezing weather last ...ised ice to form in great quan... ...in Knapps Creek and the ...r. There is a tradition in re... ...to ice on the River that be... ...very well proved. It is that ...ice forms and freezes up be... ...ations there will be three ...ch ups during the winter. If ...e will be but one break up ...consequently but one freezing ...e below good ice will be ob... ...the lumber up which is now on ...river so will have much the best ...of this season.

...Brazee, who gained ...ic notoriety by his con... ...with the Legislature a few ...ago, writes us that he has ...ed with the Legislature a few ...several times, which he says ...ntinues to have much amuse... ...he was given a free ride on ...'s limousine and by a good deal ...ter mud by a good deal."

...Chicago Tribune.

How it May Have Started.

Advertising Clerk—This will hardly go in these times. Smarter ...ly go a little or I shall have to ...arge you for them.

Mr. ten cent coffee gets popular very fast. It is clear in color, of ...ge the right strength and a coffee ...that makes a refreshing drink ...with take grocery next Monday and ...Evening with bread and but... ...and sauce to ...

P. Golden

PERSONAL MENTION.

T. M. Hill is at work on his Hal... ...ed Ridge home near Pine Grove.

George Baxter, after several weeks' absence surveying in upper Pocahontas, is now at home.

Every one seems pleased with the nice and quiet holidays that have just passed, and hope they are signs of better times farther on.

Willis Baxter was at home on Christmas and enjoyed a home Christmas dinner for the first time in ten years.

B. R. Doyle held a series of meetings at Pine Grove quite recently, in the interest of the Baptist persuasion.

E. C. Eagle, of Lobella, who has been preparing to hang out his shingle for several years, has gone to Hinton to locate. He has gone into the office of Hon Thomas G. Mann, of that place.

Professor Terry, principal of Hillsboro Academy, was in town last Friday. He is making arrangements to extend the term of his school by a session of four or five months. A prospectus will appear in The Times at an early date.

Hannibal braved the Alps three sheet and snow until he stood upon the acropolis Italy and pointed his soldiers to further success. So have we conquered hard times and high prices. We are now ready, at the beginning of 1898, to give you untold bargains. With thanks for the past and a cordial invitation for the future, we are yours for business.

L. D. Sharp.

Linwood, W. Va.

The Romantic Burke McCall.

The latest intelligence from Burke McCall, who made a horse trading trip thro this county last summer and camped in tents with his wife and employees, is that he eloped with the queen of a band of gypsies who had camped near Moorefield, in Hardy county. McCall had also been encamped near Moorefield, but the day before apparently broke camp and left. However, he returned in the evening, and, by previous arrangement, under the cover of darkness, ran away with the Queen. When the elopement was discovered the whole encampment turned out, but the night was very dark, and, as the elopers had a good start they were not overtaken.

Report of the Swago School.

For the month ending December 24, 1897.—Number of girls enrolled 13; boys 16; total 29. Percent of daily attendance boys 93; girls 92. Number of pupils engaged in the study of orthography 24; reading 29; penmanship 15; general history 1; United States history 11; geography 13; physiology 6; language lessons 3. Number of students in graduating class 1; primary grade 8; intermediate 16; upper 4.

Pupils neither absent or tardy for the month are Jennie Fleming, Pearl McNeill, Elsie May, Phebia McNeill, Malvin Overholt, Joe Hanna, Dorsey Little, Jammie and Ruby McNeill and Hunter Lightner.

J. A. McLaughlin, Teacher.

State vs. Dilly.

A most remarkable case was tried before Justice Bird and cosmopolitan jury of twelve at the court-house last Tuesday. Hugh Sharp had sworn out a warrant for Barton and Ott Dilley for stealing a boat. The prisoners decided they would have a jury, and constable Page Gay gathered up citizens from all over the county who were in Marlinton attending county court. H. S. Rucker represented the prosecution; McNeill and Price the defense. The State proved that the boys had taken the boat and rode to Marlinton in it. The defense proved the boat to be valueless, not worth mentioning or raising a fuss over, and that they rode to Marlinton in it and left it on the shore.

The case was given to the jury in the gloaming, and they bore in a most emphatic manner. While the dead-lock was being perfected the prisoners wandered about in the dusk and in their suspense got on a little jag. When the jury came in to be discharged for lack of agreement as among themselves they could not be found.

Later they charged some of the prosecuting witnesses and made them flee for their lives. Constable Gay attempted to arrest them and they fled in the darkness. One of these wrenching loose from the officer after he had nabbed him. The case is set for next Saturday at 10 A. M.

It's Advertising, Perhaps.

"Does literature pay?" he asked thoughtfully, as he finished reading the article, scarcely read again, sometimes I am inclined to think that a good deal of the stuff that pays is literature—not by a good deal."

—Chicago Tribune.

BUCKEYE.

We are having some fine winter weather at this time

Most of the sick are improving. Two of Kenny Kennison's children have scarlet fever

Clark Kellison killed a fine large hog last week. It netted 320 lbs.

George Kellison and Andy Campbell have been having a lot of sport chasing foxes with their hounds, and have caught one fox.

Jim Beverage spent Christmas at home, but has returned to camp again.

Several of the young people of this neighborhood attended the social down on the River and report a nice time.

The young people are having a lot of sport with their skates on the ice on the River, and some of them have come being baptists.

W. McClintic has got a new hay baler and is baling hay and hauling it to his camp.

Rover.

LOBELIA.

Cold and frosty, and some sickness in this part. Mrs Lizzie Hill is very poorly at this time. Miss Lucy Hill has been judged insane, and will be sent away soon.

Harry Taylor, of Trout, W. Va., has been the guest of W. B. Hill for a few days.

W. B. Hill has killed three red foxes and has some more in jail waiting the verdict.

I, W. B. Hill, wish to correct a statement made last week in regard to the railroad survey from Gauley River to Spring Creek in Greenbrier county, a distance of fifty and a half miles. The engineers stayed with me, I was pilot and the engineers found the route good. The President of the road wrote me that the route was feasible and that they would build it soon. And I wish to say that the route is practicable.

W. B. Hill.

Lobella, West Virginia.

DILLEY'S MILL.

We have had quite a coldsnap, yet we can't complain. Truly we have been blessed with much beautiful weather this winter.

Harmon Sharp, of Elk, is stopping in this part, taking a fox-chase and a rabbit hunt. Harmon is a *jolly fellow and makes the woods* to ring with merry music.

Mrs M. Carpenter, of Donmore, is visiting relatives in this part.

J. W. Grimes was at the Springs last week on business.

Miss Bertha Hively was hooked by a mean cow last week, and was painfully hurt.

The game of football had languished in this section until Christmas day, when two matches were played, at Dilley's Mill and at Frost.

Charlie McCarty is able to be out again.

We see "The West Virginia News" circulated freely in this part, and it has secured numerous subscribers in the county.

Mrs Ralp Dilley has been on the sick-list.

Miss Kinnison went home to spend the holidays.

Miss Truda Sharp got a nice organ for a Christmas present.

A Christmas tree at Frost Tuesday night with good results.

Wishing The Times and its readers a bright and happy new year.

Yours very truly,

"John Dix."

December 28, 1897.

GREEN BANK.

We are having the coldest weather, and the boys are killing all the rabbits, I think.

Saturday J. W. Yeager conducted a very exciting lawsuit at Arbovale before Justice Arbogast. In which Mrs Amanda Simmons was plaintiff and John A. Whitelaw, of Mustercy, was defendant. Mr Whitelaw was his own attorney and gained the suit.

Died: Yesterday evening, at 3 o'clock, Sarah Carpenter, after a very long illness. She was fifty years old.

The Oak Grove foot ball team has played three match games with the Green Hill team, and has kicked eight goals to Green Hill's none.

Frank King, of Marlinton, was here Monday, having brought W. B. and Miss Annie King back to their schools at Oak Grove and Green Bank.

Misses Jack Spencer and George Beverage, of Top of Alleghany, paid this neighborhood a visit last Saturday.

The Christmas tree at Frost last Tuesday night was a success; also also the entertainment given by Professor Lantz and others.

W. W. Galford wears a big smile—its a fine girl.

Rex.

All kinds of fodder taxed by weight or half for the other, or for half value when taxed. Work guaranteed first-class in every particular. Also, I will buy hides at highest prices. Edgar L. Smith, Mill Point, West Virginia.

KNAPPS CREEK.

The clear, bracing, winter weather seems to be enjoyed by young and old.

The usual number of dinners and socials have been indulged in. One among the pleasant features of the holidays was a New Year's ending at Mr W. G. Ruckman's, which was much enjoyed. Mrs Ruckman certainly understands how to prepare a nice dinner.

Misses Nannie Warwick and Kate Dever are visiting on the Creek.

Miss Bessie Hannah is visiting at Henry Sharp's.

Peyton Moore received a handsome present the night of the thirty first. Look out for the gobbler!

Sandy.

LINWOOD.

H. B. Sharp has returned from the Hills and reports a successful chase. He bagged 31 rabbits.

The literary society made its last appearance Tuesday night. *The usual program of dialogs, essays*, recitations, etc. Mr Dick Showalter produced an original poem entitled: "*Why I am Bachelor*," which moved the house to its foundations. Regular debate *of the evening between* E. C. Eagle and R. D. Williams, on, the subject that "ambition has wrought *more harm than good*."

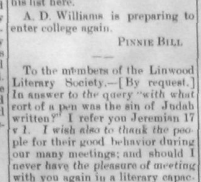
Prof Eagle has closed his school and departed with the best wishes of many friends he has added to his list here.

A. D. Williams is preparing to enter college again.

Pinnie Bill

To the members of the Linwood Literary Society.—[By request.] In answer to the query with short cut a pen was the sin of Judah written?" I refer you Jeremian 17 v 1. *I wish also to thank the people* for their good behavior during our many meetings; and should I never have the *pleasure of meeting* with you again in a literary capacity, may success crown all.

A. D. Williams, Secretary.



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Notice.

All persons indebted to us will take notice that their accounts are ready for settlement and they will please call and settle same by cash or note. No new accounts will be opened until the old account is settled.

Amos Barlow.
Huntersville, W. Va.

....farm for Sale....

I offer for sale my farm and dwelling-house, situated 1 mile from Edray, on Indian Draft. Said farm consists of 40 acres, more or less; partly cleared, good young orchard, and other improvements.

Mrs J. H. Landes.

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I desire to sell my shoe-shop in Marlinton, west end of Bridge. Will sell at a bargain. Call on

J. H. Landes.

Ferguson's Photograph Gallery is coming to Marlinton. The finest of pictures at lowest of prices. Wait for him.

Fiduciary Notice.

All persons interested take notice that the accounts of the following personal representatives of the below named decedents are before me for settlement:

J. S. Main, Exor of Wm E Main, dec'd.

A. S. Barlow, Exor. of Jacob Sharp, dec'd.

J. E. Moore admr. of Moses Moore dec'd.

Solon Mullenaphlis guardian of Allie McClaughlin.

John A. Moore, Admr. of S. F. Moore, dec'd.

Georgia F. Hayes, Admrx of Francis Hayes dec'd.

J. C. Arbogast, Admr of Peter Barlow dec'd.

J. S. Gilpin,
Commissioner of Accounts.

MARRIED.

Doyle—Kramer.

A very auspicious society event transpired at the home of Philip Kramer, Esqr., near Clover Lick, at high noon Wednesday, December 29, when Mr John H. Doyle and Miss Lou Edna Kramer were united in the "holy bonds of matrimony," Rev Wm. T. Price officiating.

The bride's maids in attendance were Misses Minnie Kramer, Emma Doyle, Mollie Slaughter and Lucy Chestnut, escorted by Frank Mann, Talbert Sharp, Joe Hannah and Amos Doyle.

The bride is a daughter of Philip Kramer, Esqr., and is a most [illegible] young lady, beloved by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

The groom is an industrious farmer of exemplary personal habits, and is justly regarded as a very worthy young citizen by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

About one hundred guests were present, and a very bountiful and well prepared dinner was served. When it is known that the wedding arrangements were supervised by Mrs Dr Lipscomb it will go without saying that everything was done in a very befitting and satisfactory style, aided, as she was, by adroit and attentive assistants.

Mr and Mrs Doyle were the recipients of quite a number of friendly tokens and the best wishes of numerous attached friends for their happiness and prosperity.

Miss Mollie Campbell, sister of J. E. Campbell, of the Alleghany Sentinel, was married last week to Mr A. N. Nesbitt, at Covington, Va., by Rev C. H. Buchannan.

OBITUARY.

Mrs Lillie M. Boyd, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Austin Campbell and wife of Engineer Robert L. Boyd, died at her home in Hinton, W. Va., Christmas afternoon at 5. For some years she has been a great sufferer, all which she endured with patient submission to the Divine will. On the day before her decease she told those around her what she would like to live, but if it was God's will to take her, she was ready and willing to go." She is survived by her husband and two small children. For many years Mrs Boyd was a communicant in the M. E. Church South.

The pall bearers in charge of the casket were selected from the Masonic Fraternity and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, of *which orders her father, husband* and brother are members. A few years since Mrs Boyd was widely *known in our county as a popular* teacher of schools and many of our readers will hear of her death with *feelings of sadness.*

The letter that brings us the sad intelligence contains this sentence, "She gave every evidence, not only in words, but her life was an evidence, that to her Christianity was a reality. She was a Christian, and realized what it was 'to live for Christ,' and enjoy that blessing in her dying hours.

W. T. P.

MARLINTON HOUSE

Located East End of Bridge.

Terms.
per day - $1 & $1.50
per meal - - 25

Good accommodations for horses at 25 cents per feed.

Special rates made by the week or month.

C. A. YEAGER, - - Proprietor.

LOOK HERE!

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A Mock Trial

New York Sun: Peter the cop was patrolling that part of the criminal court building known as "the beach" Christmas eve when Mary the apple woman came along with her basket on her arm.

"Apples, sir? Apples?" said Mary.

"Pardon me," said Peter, "but ye are wanted be th' Court."

"Beth' Court?" repeated Mary.

"Yis," said the cop; "'tis ill luck I'll have for interfarin' wid a poor ould crayter like ye, but it's me duty, Mary, whin th' Coort orders yer taken into custody."

"Glory be ter Harlem, what hev Oi been doing?" exclaimed the apple women. "Sure Oi would n't hurt a hair on a dog's back.

"Nor a dog on a hare's back," said Peter.

"Sure an' none knows it better than ye," answered Mary.

"But Oi must do me duty," said Peter, leading Mary away by the arm.

The apple women was crying when arranged in the General Sessions before Judge McMahon. Twelve solemn-looking men were seated in the jury box. They were court attendants and clerks.

"You are charged with selling candy to Captain McAuley," remarked Clerk Wolf, "said candy being eaten by said Captain in the court room."

"We find Mary guilty 'of illegal voting," said Peter Seaman, who acted as foreman of the jury.

Mary burst into tears.

"Save me this time an' Oi'll never do it again," sobbed the apple women.

"You are fined $87," declared Judge McMahon, "and owing to the fact that you have always borne a good reputation the Clerk is directed to pay you the fine."

"Oh, yer Honor," sobbed Mary, "Oi only got a dollar and tin cints. Please don't send me to jail. Please I beg av yer."

Clerk Wolf then told the apple women to keep quiet and he would square it with the judge. Then he handed Mary an envelope containing $87, saying that it was a little Christmas surprise contributed by the Judges and attendants of the Court of General Sessions.

The apple women kept on weeping, but joyfully, as she counted over the money and tucked it away in her pocket.

"Thank yez all, an' may God niver let them muggerwumps win an election ter take away yer jobs" said Mary as she turned to go.

Just then Detective Sergeants Cuff and McNaught stepped forward and told Mary that they wanted to take her photograph for the Rogues' Gallery. They sat her down on a chair, and Cuff placed a big green shawl over her shoulders, while McNaught pretended he was taking her picture by aiming the jury wheel at her.

"Now, you can keep that shawl as a Christmas present," said Detective Cuff. "When I was in Ireland last summer I had the shawl made for you in your native place, Roscommon. The wool in it was grown on the back of a Roscommon sheep that dined on Roscommon turf and four-leaf shamrocks."

"Then Oi won't take the shawl," said Mary, "for a sheep as would ate four-leaf shamrocks was niver fit ter live in Oireland."

"I meant to say the man who owned the sheep found a four-leaf shamrock in the pasture where the sheep dined," said the detective; that makes it a lucky shawl."

"It does that," said Mary, "and Oi'll wear it till Oi die"

Then the crowd turned Mary loose.

Senator Kenna's Luck at Raffling.

I was told a curious story the other day about the late Senator Kenna, of West Virginia, whose statue is to be placed in the Capitol in a few days.

When he first came to Congress, a Mrs Kenron, who lived in the same boarding house, persuaded him to buy a ticket in a raffle at a church fair for a cooking stove and a complete kitchen outfit. His ticket turned out to be the lucky one and he sent the goods to his home in West Virginia. While he was arranging for their shipment at the railroad station he was introduced to the young lady who afterwards became his wife, and gallantly invited her to become his cook. She replied she would be very glad to do so. The next winter Mrs Kenron sold Mr Kenna a ticket in another fair given by the same church. This time the prize was a plain gold ring, and again he was successful. He put the ring carefully away until it was needed at his wedding a few months later, and it so happened that his bride was the first person to use the cook stove.

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In a recent talk about the Algonquin language, Dr. Edward Everett Hale observed that six hundred words of any language are enough for human communication. In a note in The Critic, called out by a report of his speech, he says: "Six hundred words is said to be sufficient for the couriers in Europe; and it is the outside limit of the vocabulary of the Italian opera. It is true that this is the minimum of human intelligence, in both cases; but still it answers for the conveyance of thought. In the book of Judges for instance there are not seven hundred different words."

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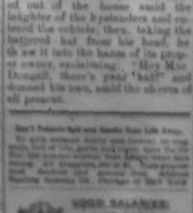

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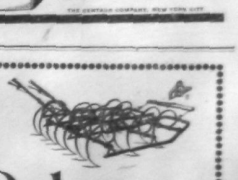

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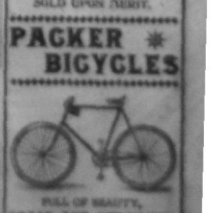

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Biographic Notes.

ONE of the notable families in our local annals was the Slaven relationship, whose ancestor was John Slaven, who came from Tyrone, Ireland, about the middle of the previous century. He first settled in west Rockingham County, Virginia, and then came to what is now Highland County, Virginia, and located permanently at Meadow Dale, on property now held by Stuart Slaven and James Flesher. His wife was a Miss Stuart. Traces of the old home are still to be seen near James Flesher's residence, who is a descendant by the fifth remove.

In reference to John Slaven's sons we learn that Henry and Reuben went to Ohio and settled in the famous Scioto Valley. Daniel Slaven located his home on Clinch River, Tennessee. Isaiah Slaven married Martha Stuart, and went to Montgomery County, Kentucky, in 1792, about the time that State came into the Union, and settled at Mount Sterling. William Slaven settled in Smith County, Tenn.

Stuart Slaven remained on the Meadow Dale homestead. His wife was a Miss Johnston, a daughter of Jesse Johnston. He was one of the most prominent and influential citizens of his time. Stuart Slaven's children were Reuben Slaven, for so many years one of the leading citizens of his county, and perhaps celebrated more marriages than any magistrate that ever held that office in his section; Jesse Slaven, William Slaven, Stuart Slaven, junior; Nellie, who became Mrs Adam Lighner; Mrs Thomas Campbell; Sallie, who was Mrs Alexander Gilmore; Rachel, who became Mrs Givens and went west; Mrs Matilda Wade.

Margaret Slaven was married to the late Benjamin B. Campbell. Her daughters are Mrs S. P. Patterson and Miss Mattie Campbell, of Huntersville; Stuart Campbell, of Belington; Brown Campbell, late of Monterey; and Luther Campbell, at Dunmore, her sons.

John Slaven, son of John from Tyrone, was twice married. The first wife was a Miss Wade, near Green Hill, Virginia. There was one son, John Slaven, who never married. The second marriage was with Elizabeth Warwick, a sister of Andrew and William Warwick, on Deer Creek near Green Bank. Not long after this marriage, he settled on the head of Greenbrier, and he is the ancestor of the Pocahontas branch of the Slaven relationship. By the second marriage there were five daughters and two sons. He was a person of remarkable muscular powers, and was a Revolutionary veteran, a noted hunter and successful trapper. He had thrilling descriptions to give of the many bloody engagements he passed through, the hazardous risks he ran, and the bitter privations he endured in the service of his country. He lived to an advanced age, and was associated by the infirmities of age so he made much use of crutches when moving around in his closing days. In reference to his children the following particulars are available:

Sallie Slaven became Mrs Donaldson, and lived for a time at the head of Jackson's River, thence went to Hardin County, Ohio.

Priscilla Slaven was married to Joseph Woodell, junior, of Green Bank, and lived in Pike County, O.

Anna Slaven became Mrs Patrick Bradley, and lived near Green Bank, on property occupied by John Hannah. Mrs Patrick Bradley was a very useful and prominent citizen. A skilled workman in stone, iron, and wood, and filled most of the official positions in the gift of the county.

Mary Slaven became Mrs John Woodell, near Green Bank. Miss Sue Chandler, and Gertie Beckett.

Mary P. Slaven was married to Jesse B. Slaven, at Meadow Dale, where she died and is buried.

Margaret Slaven became Mrs Samuel Buckeye. Mill Bay, Va.

William Slaven, son of John Slaven the pioneer was born July 6th, 1798, and was married in 1819 to Margaret Wooddell, daughter of Joseph Wooddell, at Green Bank. She was born June 27, 1800.

They were the parents of six sons and two daughters. Their names were Charles, who died seeking gold in California; John, Henry; Nathan, a Confederate soldier killed at Fort Donelson; and Elizabeth, who became Mrs Osborne, of Gilmer County.

William Slaven's second marriage was with Nancy Cline, Lewis County, West Virginia, and there were five daughters and four sons by this marriage. Mary, Sarah, Caroline, Martha, Lucy, Frank, Lanty, Rolland, and Perry. William Slaven's descendants mainly live in Jackson, Wirt, Lewis, and Gilmer counties, and are reported to be among the most prosperous and good people of that section of West Virginia.

While living in Pocahontas William Slaven was a citizen of marked prominence,—member of the Virginia Legislature, Magistrate, and Assessor. More than sixty years ago he concluded to move to Lewis County. Assisted by John Wooddell and others his household effects were carried over Cheat Mountain to Lawyer See's, near Huttonsville, on pack-horses—there being only a bridle-path at the time. He lived awhile on Leading Creek, Lewis County, thence went to Wirt County, near Burning Springs; and, finally, to Jackson County, a few miles from Ravenswood. In his new places of residence after leaving Pocahontas he was honored with places of trust, served the public as magistrate and deputy-sheriff, which at that time meant the full, active duties of sheriff. He leaves the reputation of being always an efficient, trustworthy business man.

Jacob Gillespie Slaven, son of the pioneer of that much-named region *Head of Greenbrier*—Upper Tract—Travellers Repose, married Eleanor Lockridge, daughter of Lanty Lockridge, Sr., on Knapps Creek. These persons passed the most of their married lives on the head of Greenbrier in a widely-known and attractive home. In their time there was an immense travel along that road, Parkersburg and Staunton Pike. Most of the communication between the western and eastern parts of Virginia was by this route. Governor Joe Johnson and Stonewall Jackson have stopped once here to enjoy trout and venison. Everything seemed prosperous and pleasant with Jacob Slaven until the terrible ravages of war laid his home in ashes and exiled the happy inmates.

Mr and Mrs Jacob G. Slaven were the parents of eight daughters and four sons. We lay before our readers the following particulars concerning these sons and daughters.

Harriet, who was greatly admired for her personal attractions, became Mrs Patrick Gallaher, and went to Missouri.

Elizabeth was married to Colonel William T. Gammon, of Hortensville, a citizen of marked prominence. She now lives at Odessa, Missouri.

John Randolph Slaven, late of Huntersville, was married to Margaret F. Wooddell. Mrs Slaven and her daughters Mrs L. M. McClintic and Mrs S. L. Brown, live in Marlinton. Her sons, Grant and Guy Slaven, live in Kansas.

Lanty Lockridge Slaven was first Isabella Barnes, daughter of the late George Barnes, and settled on Back Alleghany, where his second wife with her sons Jacob Wooddell, now Green Bank. Miss Sue Chandler, and Gertie Beckett.

Mary P. Slaven was married to Jesse B. Slaven, at Meadow Dale, where she died and is buried.

Margaret Slaven became Mrs Samuel Buckeye. Mill Bay, Va.

Martha Slaven became Mrs J. T. Hogsett, and lived near Marvin, in the vicinity of Mill Point at the time of her death a few years since.

Adalaide Eleanor Slaven was first married (by the writer) to Washington Arbogast, son of Hon. William Arbogast, of Green Bank. He died in May, 1864, of wounds received in the battle of Spottsylvania Court-house. The children of this marriage were William and Margaret, now Mrs C. O. Arbogast.

Her second marriage was with William L. Brown, Esq., and lives at Green Bank.

Margaret Eveline Slaven, now *Mrs J. H. Patterson, lives at Marlinton.* Mr Patterson is the Clerk of the Pocahontas Circuit Court. He was a Confederate soldier from start to finish, and shared the perils of those who were first in battle and last in retreat.

Sarah Mildred Slaven was first married to Peter H. Slaven, and lived at Monterey, Virginia. Their son Emmett lives in Nebraska. Her second marriage was with Arista Hartman, now living in Kansas.

Winfield T. Slaven married Nannie P. Ruckman, and lives near Marvin.

In reference to the daughters of Mr and Mrs Jacob G. Slaven it is interesting to note that Eleanor and Margaret were twins. Mildred and Alice were also twin sisters.

Thus the attempt has been made *to illustrate the Slaven family history* in our county, so efficiently aided by Mrs M. P. Slaven and her brother J. Stewart Wooddell, and W. T. Slaven, of Marvin.

Mr and Mrs John Slaven, the ancestral pioneers, that had their home on the beautiful banks of the upper Greenbrier, had a married life of fifty-two years, ten months, and twenty-one days. It would be well could their graves be identified, where unheeded oe'r their silent dust the storms of the eventful present and the recent past have raged in such ominous fury. The story of their lives help us very much towards a proper understanding of what it cost to make it possible for the comforts that gladden our lives.

W. T. P.

GOVERNOR TYLER, of Virginia, is a great stickler for Jeffersonian simplicity.

THE Supreme Court of Appeals met last Tuesday. Two cases from this county will be submitted, McLaughlin vs. McGraw and others, and Turk, trustee, vs. Skyles and others.

OWING to the particular animosity which the Democratic press has shown Congressman Dorr, it is thought that he will have pull enough with his own party to renominate him this year. He is probably the only Congressman from West Virginia who will be able to secure his party nomination. Miller will not offer, and Dovener's and Dayton's times have come.

IF Marcus A. Hanna is elected Senator from Ohio under the present circumstances, we will take it as conclusive proof that he knows how to use money in politics both legally and illegally. The situation has reached that kind of a senatorial deadlock that can only be dissolved with money. If he is beaten it will speak well for his integrity as a law abiding politician. To the country at large his case presents this peculiar aspect. If he is defeated they will know that he is a better man than they gave him credit of being, and if elected they will regard his position to represent so many thousand dollars consideration. No doubt poor Mr Hanna has recalled Lockney Hall.

"What is that which I should turn to, lighting upon days like these?
Every share in barren with gold,
And opens but to golden keys."

It is of course generally understood that legislatures have their price.

THE school week should be thoroughly washed out occasionally to remove the city pestilence that spoils Basil's Star Sermon to give the boy a natural scare.

New York News Letter.

A happy New Year.

How many of you have made new resolutions? Question: How many will keep them?

When writing date your letters 1898. Half of our population in this great country will continue to write their letters for the next three months the same old way.

New York city is now called the borough of Manhattan; Brooklyn is called the borough of Brooklyn; Staten Island, the borough of Richmond; above the Harlem River, borough of Bronx; Queen's county, borough of Queens. The whole business goes by the name of New York City (Greater New York.) The post-office officials insist that one should write: Mr ——, —— street, Manhattan New York City. Last year the residents of this city had troubles of their own, but the New Year starts in with more trouble kindly furnished by the post office department.

The new year was ushered in heralbouts with tin-horns, Trinity Church chimes, bands of music, fireworks, singing societies. It is estimated that in the vicinity of City Hall fully 50,000 people witnessed the festivities. The carnival was a success. The affair was gotten up by the New York Journal, which paper footed the bill. The City Hall Park was strung with colored miniature electric lamps. The trees were decorated with ribbons. It was the grandest sight ever witnessed in this town. The people thus did honor to our new city of New York. Every one was full of enthusiasm—a few were full of whiskey. Take the celebration all in all Father Knickerbocker never saw the like of it—and he is a pretty old man.

So far the weather in this region has been decidedly cold. Skating is all the rage. Snow lies here and there. The present outlook has the appearance of an old-fashioned winter.

Bicycling is the leader in all outdoor enjoyments. A bill will be introduced in the Legislature providing for a railroad and bicycle bridge to connect the boroughs of Brooklyn and Manhattan. The cost of the structure, it is estimated, will be $6,000,000.

A fire occurred Sunday morning in Jersey City. The smoke was so dense and the fire gained such headway that six members of the family lost their lives. Two others are not expected to recover. The chief of the fire department was almost killed in his heroic attempt to save lives. The father of the family was found with two of his children clasped in his arms within a few feet of safety.

The swimming season of this city was opened for the year 1898 by Prof. J. Donaldson, who took a plunge in the icy waters of Bath Beach yesterday. The Professor stayed in four minutes. He was clad in the regular bathing suit. He remarked when coming out that it was rather chilly. The rest of our population will wait until later in the season for their plunge. All the fools are not yet dead.

While the Rev. Thomas Dixon, Jr., was delivering his sermon yesterday, he suddenly paused. In his dramatic way he said: "Will someone kindly remove that pistol. I like to have those seated in the house, but as part of my congregation they embarrass me. The gat was located and removed.

Parties are being active in right along for the gold fields. Every thing is Klondike. Where a few die themselves into a forlorn, hazardous starve. Give me health and three square meals a day, but no gold fields.

GEORGE M. SCARBORO.

January 1, 1898.

Sweetness and Light.

Put a pill in the pulpit if you want practical preaching for the physical man; then put the pill in the pillory if it does not practise what it preaches. There's a whole gospel in Ayer's Sugar Coated Pills; a "gospel of sweetness and light." People used to value their physic, as they did their religion,—by its bitterness. The more bitter the dose the better the doctor. We've got over that. We take "sugar in ours"—gospel or physic—now-a-days. It's possible to please and to purge at the same time. There may be power in a pleasant pill. That is the gospel of

Ayer's Cathartic Pills.

More pill particulars in Ayer's Curebook, 100 pages. Sent free. J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

Notions.

THE new government of Greater New York went to work Monday, January 3. The Tammany people have reason to be thankful that they succeed a lot of reformers, for the past three years have proved that the "reformers" needed reforming as badly as ever did a city government. *A few years ago the people* started in to purge the city. Governing is like poking the fire; every other man thinks he could do a better job than he who has the poker. A meddling preacher named Parkhurst was one of the leading men in regenerating the city. By keeping mum as to the virtues of the city government and emphasizing the mistakes and failures, he and others got the people to believe that such corruption had never been known in this world. They were given control and have succeeded in playing a game that has been as full of errors as a game of baseball played by farmers.

Richard Croker, one of the most astute politicians who ever lived, has always been firm in the opinion that the reformers only needed enough rope, to hang themselves, and his predictions have been fulfilled to the letter. He knew the temper of the people of New York when he let loose the catch expression of the last campaign, "To h—l with reform!" A more brutal cry could not have been invented to shock the ears of the uninformed. But to the ears of the New Yorkers it meant, "Away with a set of impostors who claimed to be infallible, and who by diligently picking out the bad of a former administration and covering up the good, had themselves placed in power, where they proved to be even more incapable of doing all things right than those whom they had ousted!" All this could be expressed in four words, and it carried the city without trouble.

Tammany is the finest school of politics in the land. It has always taught that the official must do his duty or he will not be retained by the people. Misconduct in office cannot be hidden so that it will not be noised abroad and bring ruin to the one responsible. Richard Croker almost believes in retribution in politics. This is about the nearest approach to religion he has been accused of, but if he and his kind believe that neglect or malfeasance in office will be immediately visited on their own heads, it is the strongest safe guard of their integrity.

The public of Greater New York generally look for a safe, honest and economical administration from the Democratic party now in power, and every body is satisfied, except some of the Republican leaders of New York who had a chapter granted when they thought they could carry the city owing to the unpopularity of Bryan in New York.

THE preacher is paid for stealing a horse brings to mind the case of Rev. Joseph Hutchinson who from bold him that he had certainly stolen of us to worry the countries around, but that then he had a of West Virginia. About a dozen wonderful tools for good.

years ago he was holding a series of meetings at Indian Draft, near Edray, and being a good preacher was having a great time. He gave notice that the next night he would give his hearers a special effort from the subject, "The Judgment Day." A tremendous crowd gathered and dispersed without the preacher putting in his appearance. He was riding a borrowed horse and when it was known that he was no longer in the neighborhood it was thought that he had laid himself liable to the judgment of the circuit court.

The circumstances were these: He had started from the home of a citizen of the neighborhood to go to church; and, some say, he had taken too much whiskey, and others that it was a temporary aberration of mind; but the result was that he kept going for about fifteen miles, until he got nearly to Big Spring. Here he stayed all night, and waking up the next morning in his right mind he left the horse to be sent back, and went on walking, and he has never been in the county since.

In discussing the wonderful surgical operation performed in Switzerland, in which the stomach of a woman was removed and the patient got well, it has been discovered that a similar operation was performed in Pocahontas County, years ago, and which was never noised abroad. There are hundreds of citizens who have heard the full particulars from the lips of the operator himself. He was one of those unknown heroes that Gray tells about in his elegy, who but lacked opportunity to be great in the eyes of the world.

"Their lot forbad: Nor circumscribed alone
Their growing virtues, but their crimes confined;
Forbad to wade through slaughter to a throne
And shut the gates of mercy on mankind."

It, then, becomes our duty to the "unbounded deed" to tell of this remarkable operation.

"Do'nt in these lines the artless tale relate,"

so to speak.

Dr Tarr, "Old Doc Tarr," was a doctor of the old Tennessee School. His home was in the upper end of Pocahontas. Up to his dying day he would relate this experience as the crowning success of his professional work.

He had been called to see a man who was suffering from a disorganized stomach. External treatment had failed, and he used the knife. He took out the stomach of the sufferer, who had been removed to a place on the grass under some oak trees. The process of repairing the organ was continued some time, and the doctor turned to his coat which was lying at some distance for a bit of plug tobacco. While his back was turned a dog came up and carried off the vital part on which he was expending so much care. The case seemed desperate for a moment, but the doctor got a thong which was near by removing the stomach placed it in the case and sewed him up. A great time afterwards he passed Rev. Joseph Hutchinson who then told him that he had certainly stolen of us to worry the countries around, but that then he had a of West Virginia. About a dozen wonderful tools for good.